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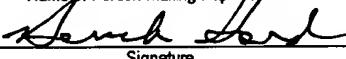
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- (1) Ishida et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,107,291,  
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